





February 14, 2012

Dear

SUBJECT: Analysis Results for Water Supply at Marquette County, Michigan

, Humboldt Township,

The United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) collected a sample from your private water supply on November 1, 2011. Attached is a tabulation of the sample analysis results. The EPA sampled your water supply to assess if past activities at the nearby Humboldt Mine and Mill site had affected groundwater and individual water supplies in the area.

The concentrations of inorganic substances and metals detected in the water supply samples were below established federal and state drinking water standards and health concern levels, and were similar to groundwater quality generally found in Central Marquette County. While it is entirely normal within the region, it is noteworthy that manganese was detected at a concentration higher than the secondary drinking water standard, 50 micrograms per liter (ug/l). The secondary standard is not a health-risk standard. It is an aesthetic water quality standard.

The sample from your water supply contained manganese at 122 ug/l. Water containing manganese at concentrations above the secondary standard may cause staining of fixtures and laundry, and may have objectionable turbidity, color, and odor.

Even though there is no indication your water supply has been impacted, the EPA and the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) believe a second sample set is needed. The EPA will contact you regarding a second access agreement and sample collection date. Analysis of the follow-up samples will be performed for some inorganic substances not previously researched and for some organic chemicals at a lower laboratory detection limit.

The EPA and the DEQ appreciate your cooperation in these investigations. If you have questions about the sampling efforts, please contact Nuria Muñiz at (312-886-4439). If you have questions about the analysis results, please contact Chuck Thomas, DEQ by phone at 906-346-8534 or by email at thomasc3@michigan.gov.

Sincerely,

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Enclosure

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Analyte	MCL (ug/L)	HMDW-007	
Matrix	, , , , ,	Groundwater	
Cyanide (ug/L)			
Cyanide	200	7.5 J-	
Metals (ug/L)			
Aluminum		200 U	
Antimony	6	60 U	
Arsenic	10	8.5 J	
Barium	2000	20 J	
Beryllium	4	5 U	
Cadmium	5	5 U	
Calcium		23400	
Chromium	100	10 U	
Cobalt		50 U	
Copper	1300	25 UJ	
Iron		146	
Lead	15	10 UJ	
Magnesium		7650	
Manganese		122	
Mercury	2	0.2 U	
Nickel		40 U	
Potassium		5000 U	
Selenium	50	35 UJ	
Silver		10 U	
Sodium		5000 U	
Thallium	2	25 U	
Vanadium		50 U	
Zinc		60 U	
PCBs (ug/L)	2		
Aroclor-1016		1 U	
Aroclor-1221		1 U	
Aroclor-1232		<u>1 U</u>	
Aroclor-1242		1 U	
Aroclor-1248		1 U	
Aroclor-1254		1 U	
Aroclor-1260		<u> 1 U</u>	
Aroclor-1262		<u>1U</u>	
Aroclor-1268		1 U	
SVOCs (ug/L)			
1,1'-Biphenyl		<u>5 U</u>	
1,2,4,5-Tetrachlorobenzene		5 U	
2,2'-Oxybis(1-chloropropane)		5 U	
2,3,4,6-Tetrachlorophenol		5 U	
2,4,5-Trichlorophenol		5 U	
2,4,6-Trichlorophenol		<u>5 U</u>	
2,4-Dichlorophenol		5 U	
2,4-Dimethylphenol		5 U	

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2,4-Dinitrophenol		10 U
2,4-Dinitrotoluene		5 U
2,6-Dinitrotoluene		5 U
2-Chloronaphthalene		5 U
2-Chlorophenol		5 U
SVOCs (ug/L) Continued		
2-Methylnaphthalene		5 U
2-Methylphenol		5 U
2-Nitroaniline		10 U
2-Nitrophenol		5 U
3,3'-Dichlorobenzidine		5 U
3-Nitroaniline		10 U
4,6-Dinitro-2-methylphenol		10 U
4-Bromophenyl-phenylether		5 U
4-Chloro-3-methylphenol		5 U
4-Chloroaniline		5 U
4-Chlorophenyl-phenylether		5 U
4-Methylphenol		5 U
4-Nitroaniline		10 U
4-Nitrophenol		10 U
Acenaphthene		5 U
Acenaphthylene		5 U
Acetophenone		5 U
Anthracene		5 U
Atrazine	3	5 U
Benzaldehyde		5 U
Benzo(a)anthracene		5 U
Benzo(a)pyrene	0.2	5 U
Benzo(b)fluoranthene		5 U
Benzo(g,h,i)perylene		5 U
Benzo(k)fluoranthene		5 U
Bis(2-chloroethoxy)methane		5 U
Bis(2-chloroethyl)ether		5 U
Bis(2-ethylhexyl)phthalate	6	25 U
Butylbenzylphthalate	0	5 U
Caprolactam		5 U
Carbazole		5 U
		5 U
Chrysene		5 U
Dibenzo(a,h)anthracene		5 U
Dibenzofuran		
Diethylphthalate		5 U
Dimethylphthalate		5 U
Di-n-butylphthalate		5 U
Di-n-octylphthalate		5 U
Fluoranthene		5 U
Fluorene		5 U
Hexachlorobenzene	1	5 UJ
Hexachlorobutadiene		5 U
Hexachlorocyclopentadiene	50	5 U
Hexachloroethane		5 U

Indeno(1,2,3-cd)pyrene	į l	5 U
Isophorone		5 U
Naphthalene		5 U
Nitrobenzene		5 U
N-Nitroso-di-n-propylamine		5 U
N-Nitrosodiphenylamine		5 U
Pentachlorophenol	1	10 R
Phenanthrene		. 5 U
Phenol		5 U
Pyrene		5 U

VOCs (ua/L)

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1,1,1-Trichloroethane	200	5 <u>U</u>
1,1,2,2-Tetrachloroethane		5 U
1,1,2-Trichloro-1,2,2-trifluoroethane		5 U
1,1,2-Trichloroethane	5	5 U
1,1-Dichloroethane		5 U
1,1-Dichloroethene	7	5 U
1,2,3-Trichlorobenzene		5 U
1,2,4-Trichlorobenzene	70	5 U
1,2-Dibromo-3-chloropropane		5 U
1,2-Dibromoethane		5 U
1,2-Dichlorobenzene	600	5 U
1,2-Dichloroethane	5	5 U
1,2-Dichloropropane	5	5 U
1,3-Dichlorobenzene		5 U
1,4-Dichlorobenzene	75	5 U
1,4-Dioxane		100 R
2-Butanone		10 U
2-Hexanone		10 U
4-Methyl-2-Pentanone		10 U
Acetone		10 U
Benzene	5	5 U
Bromochloromethane		5 U
Bromodichloromethane		5 U
Bromoform		5 U
Bromomethane		5 U
Carbon disulfide		5 U
Carbon distillide Carbon tetrachloride	5	5 U
Chlorobenzene	100	5 U
Chloroethane	100	5 U
Chloroform		5 U
Chloromethane		5 U
cis-1,2-Dichloroethene	70	5 U
	70	5 U
cis-1,3-Dichloropropene		5 U
Cyclohexane Dibromochloromethane		5 U
		5 U
Dichlorodifluoromethane	700	5 U
Ethylbenzene	700	5 U
Isopropylbenzene		
m,p-Xylene		5 U
Methyl acetate		5 U
Methyl tert-butyl ether		5 U
Methylcyclohexane		5 U
Methylene chloride	10000	10 U
o-Xylene	10000	5 U
Styrene	100	5 U
Tetrachloroethene	5	5 U
Toluene	1000	5 U
trans-1,2-Dichloroethene	100	5 U
trans-1,3-Dichloropropene		5 U

Trichloroethene	5	5 U
Trichlorofluoromethane		5 U
Vinyl chloride	2	5 U

Symbol Key

MCL means maximum contaminant level

ug/l means micrograms per liter and all analysis results as reported as ug/l

SVOC means semi-volatile organic chemical

VOC means volatile organic chemical

U after a number means not detected, but the result reported is the lab detection limit

R after a number means the data may not be valid

J after a number means the substance was positively identified and the numerical value is an approximate concentration of the substance in the sample